

*CLAIM AMENDMENTS*

1. (Currently Amended) An elevator system comprising:

a hoisting machine disposed within a hoistway between a wall ~~surface~~ of the hoistway and a car, when viewed in horizontally ~~projected perspective~~, a ~~drive sheave~~ ~~constituting a main element of~~, ~~the car moving vertically in the hoistway~~, the hoisting machine including a drive sheave;

~~a fixing member formed in~~ including a pillar form and ~~provided upright~~ extending vertically from ~~the~~ a bottom portion of the hoistway; and

~~a mount member for~~ supporting the hoisting machine, the mount member being fastened to an upper portion of the fixing member~~s~~.

2. (Currently Amended) The elevator system according to claim 1, wherein the mount member ~~is formed into~~ has a hollow square shape and support sections for supporting the hoisting machine are ~~provided~~ located at the upper portion and at a lower portions portion of the mount member.

3. (Currently Amended) The elevator system according to claim 1, wherein the mount member is attached to the upper portions portion of the fixing member ~~provided~~, extending upright from a base member on the bottom of the hoistway, the base member being provided for standing elevator rails.

4. (Amended) The elevator system according to claim 1, ~~wherein~~ including a securing member ~~is provided~~ on the fixing ~~members~~ member, ~~said~~ the securing member being secured to the wall of the hoistway.